

ANNUAL REPORTS  
*of the*  
TOWN OFFICERS  
*and*  
OFFICERS  
of the SCHOOL DISTRICT  
*of the Town of*  
NEW CASTLE



*For the Fiscal Year Ending*  
*December 31, 1954*





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**Town Officers, 1954**

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**TOWN CLERK**

Dorothy S. Becker

**SELECTMEN, OVERSEERS OF THE POOR, BOARD OF HEALTH**

Elmer S. Pridham, 1 year

Kenneth E. Maxam, 2 years

Ralph S. Frobisher, 3 years

**TREASURER**

Frank A. Hulshof

**COLLECTOR OF TAXES**

William Priestley

**ROAD AGENT**

Haven W. Johnson

**AUDITOR**

Jeannette I. White

**CHIEF OF POLICE**

Henry Greenberg

**HEALTH OFFICER**

Fred A. Amazeen

**FIRE WARDS**

George S. Pridham, 1 year

Newcomb L. Damon, 2 years

Thomas H. Webb, 3 years

**TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS**

Walter C. Hayden

**DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE**

Newcomb L. Damon (Capt. USN Ret.)

**TRUSTEES OF CEMETERIES**

Walter C. Hayden, 1 year

Charles W. Clark, 2 years

Warren M. White, 3 years

**TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Jessie Scammon, 1 year

Helen H. St. John, 2 years

Margaret R. Frobisher, 3 years

**WATER COMMISSIONERS**

William Priestley, 1 year

Harlan M. Talbot, 2 years

Warren M. White, 3 years

**MODERATOR**

John C. Sweetser

**MUNICIPAL COURT**

Oliver W. Marvin, Esq., Justice

Wm. F. Harrington, Esq., Justice

Newcomb L. Damon, Esq., Spec. Justice

**SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST**

Andrew B. White

Ernest F. Robinson (Resigned)

Fred A. Amazeen (Deceased)

Virginia Coyle (Appointed)

William Amazeen (Appointed)

**REPRESENTATIVE OF THE GENERAL COURT**

Thomas F. McCaffery

**BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

Newcomb L. Damon, 5 years

Warren M. White, 4 years

Richard McDonough, 3 years

Frederick S. White, 2 years

**Henry Becker, 1 year**

**PLANNING BOARD**

George S. Pitts, 5 years

Louis B. McCarthy, 4 years

Dana H. N. Mayo, 3 years

T. W. Jenkins, 2 years

Ralph S. Frobisher, 1 year

## Town Warrant

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### THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Rockingham, ss.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of New Castle, in said County of Rockingham, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said New Castle, on Tuesday, the eighth day of March, next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To hear the reports of agents, officers and others heretofore chosen and to pass any vote in relation thereto.

2. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing. The polls for the election of town officers will open at ten of the clock, in the forenoon and shall not be closed before five of the clock in the afternoon.

3. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and to make appropriation for the same.

4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to incur temporary loans in anticipation of the taxes for the year 1955, upon the credit of the Town, and issue its notes therefor in accordance with the Municipal Finance Act.

5. To see if the Town will vote to allow a discount to be made to those persons who shall pay their taxes within a reasonable time after they receive notice of the taxes assessed against them and to fix the amount of such discount and the time within which such discount shall be allowed.

6. To see if the Town will vote to participate with the other towns and cities in the area in the advertising, promotional and publicity activities of the New Hampshire Seacoast Regional Development Association as authorized by law and to raise and appropriate the necessary sum of money therefor.

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Hundred Dollars (\$1,200.00) for the payment of pensions to former school teachers for the year 1955, as authorized by law.

8. To see if the Town will vote to accept Town Road Aid from the State for the construction of town roads and to raise and appropriate the necessary sum of money therefor.

9. Upon petition of William Priestley and ten others. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150 00) to construct a skating pond on the Swamp Land off Wentworth Road and Pit Lane.

10. Upon petition of R. S. Frobisher and twenty-three others. To see if the Town will vote to increase the salary to be paid to the Chief of Police of the town and to raise and appropriate the necessary sum of money therefor.

11. To transact any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this fourteenth day of February in the year of our Lord, one thousand, nine hundred and fifty-five.

ELMER S. PRIDHAM,  
KENNETH E. MAXAM,  
RALPH S. FROBISHER,  
Selectmen of New Castle.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

ELMER S. PRIDHAM,  
KENNETH E. MAXAM,  
RALPH S. FROBISHER,  
Selectmen of New Castle



# REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, DECEMBER 31, 1954

DATE OF CREATION	TRUST FUNDS—PUR- POSE OF CREATION	HOW INVESTED	AMOUNT OF PRINCIPAL	Bal. of Income on Hand at Beginning of Yr.	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Bal. of Income on Hand at End of Year
Feb. 27, 1900	Jane P. Tarlton, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Savings Bank	\$ 200 00	\$104 84	\$9 97	\$7 00	\$107 81
Nov. 19, 1921	Edward B. Baker care of burial lot	Portsmouth Trust Co.	150 00	4 70	3 88	4 00	4 58
Aug. 19, 1922	Clara A. Way, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Trust Co.	150 00	16 70	4 18	4 00	16 88
Sept. 23, 1922	Mary A. White, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Trust Co.	200 00	24 13	5 63	4 00	25 76
Feb. 17, 1923	Henry Amazeen, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Trust Co.	150 00	21 37	4 30	4 00	21 67
Apr. 13, 1923	Chas. E. Whitehouse, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Trust Co.	150 00	2 57	3 83	4 00	2 40
Dec. 31, 1924	Mary B. Hanscom, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Trust Co.	200 00	54 14	6 39	4 00	56 53
Jan. 2, 1925	Albert W. Hanscom, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Trust Co.	100 00	1 05	2 54	2 00	1 59
Dec. 7, 1927	Nathaniel Yeaton, care of burial lot	Piscataqua Savings Bank	100 00	0 87	2 56	2 00	1 43
Jan. 12, 1928	Elizabeth T. C. Rand, Library Fund	Portsmouth Trust Co.	500 00	76 31	14 49	4 00	86 80
Jan. 17, 1928	Elizabeth T. C. Rand, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Trust Co.	100 00	1 05	2 54	2 00	1 59
Apr. 12, 1929	Addie Libbey, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Trust Co.	74 00	4 73	1 97	0 00	6 70
July 29, 1930	Z. J. V. Randall, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Trust Co.	200 00	12 77	5 34	4 00	14 11
Sept. 27, 1932	Elizabeth Garvin, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Trust Co.	50 00	12 49	1 27	1 00	7 66
July 24, 1933	Helena Trefethen, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Savings Bank	200 00	3 16	6 64	4 00	5 80
July 28, 1933	Chandler Martin, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Trust Co.	200 00	15 95	5 42	4 00	17 37
July 28, 1935	Benjamin Batson, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Trust Co.	100 00	5 29	2 64	2 00	5 93
Apr. 24, 1937	Robert Oliver, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Trust Co.	150 00	20 57	4 28	4 00	27 35
Jan. 20, 1938	Mary A. Preble, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Trust Co.	200 00	6 57	5 18	4 00	7 55
July 12, 1938	Silas H. Harding, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Trust Co.	200 00	2 13	5 08	4 00	3 21
July 29, 1938	Robert F. White, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Trust Co.	250 00	19 41	8 82	4 00	24 23
Dec. 28, 1938	James Davidson, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Savings Bank	125 00	1 81	3 18	2 00	2 99
June 25, 1939	Bert White, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Trust Co.	150 00	54	3 78	4 00	3 32
Nov. 6, 1939	Ann W. Smart, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Trust Co.	150 00	54	3 78	4 00	3 32

# REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS—Continued

DATE OF CREATION	TRUST FUNDS—PUR- POSE OF CREATION	HOW INVESTED	AMOUNT OF PRINCIPAL	Bal. of Income on Hand at Beginning of Yr.	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Bal. of Income on Hand at End of Year
Nov. 8, 1939	Mary L. Batson, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Trust Co.	200 00	7 53	5 22	4 00	8 75
June 17, 1940	Carrie Poole Tarlton, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Trust Co.	100 00	3 33	2 59	2 00	3 92
Aug. 12, 1944	Roy H. Curtis, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Trust Co.	75 00	4 50	1 99	1 00	5 49
Aug. 16, 1946	Nellie A. Card, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Savings Bank	150 00	3 33	5 02	4 00	4 35
Apr. 11, 1949	Anne C. Amazeen, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Savings Bank	300 00	11 98	10 20	4 00	18 18
July 16, 1949	Alice Roth, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Savings Bank	100 00	1 89	3 32	2 00	3 21
Nov. 29, 1949	Joseph L. Hart, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Savings Bank	100 00	20 39	13 76	4 00	30 15
Apr. 16, 1951	LeRoy W. Haywood, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Trust Co.	300 00	18 40	8 01	0 00	26 41
May 21, 1951	Henry T. Tarlton, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Savings Bank	300 00	10 81	10 17	0 00	16 98
Oct. 11, 1952	William T. Meloon, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Savings Bank	300 00	6 18	10 03	4 00	12 21
Oct. 11, 1952	Rufus A. Yeaton, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Savings Bank	300 00	6 18	10 03	4 00	12 21
Oct. 11, 1952	John Smith, care of burial lot	Portsmouth Savings Bank	200 00	1 45	6 58	4 00	4 03
Jan. 16, 1954	Rufus T. Emery, care of burial lot *	Portsmouth Savings Bank	300 00	0 00	6 27	2 00	4 27
Jan. 30, 1954	Stacy Hall and Stacy B. Hall *	Portsmouth Savings Bank	300 00	0 00	6 27	4 00	2 27
Dec. 18, 1954	William Trefethen, care of burial lot *	Portsmouth Savings Bank	200 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00
		TOTAL.	\$12424 00	\$496 42	\$339 14	\$246 77	\$588 79

\*New Funds Created.

WALTER C. HAYDEN, Trustee.

This is to certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct.

February 4, 1955

JEANETTE I. WHITE, Auditor.



## Budget

### ESTIMATES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE ENSUING YEAR JANUARY 1, 1955 TO DECEMBER 31, 1955, COMPARED WITH ESTIMATED AND ACTUAL REVENUE, APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR JANUARY 1, 1954 TO DECEMBER 31, 1954.

#### SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Est. Rev. Pre. Yr. 1954	Act. Rev. Prev. Yr. 1954	Est. Rev. Ens'g Yr. 1955
<b>From State:</b>			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$5,000 00	\$6,896 18	\$6,000 00
Savings Bank Tax	250 00	340 52	300 00
<b>From Local Sources Except Taxes:</b>			
Dog Licenses	150 00	172 86	150 00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	10 00	17 00	10 00
Fines and Forfeits, Municipal Court	50 00	241 50	150 00
Interest Rec. on taxes & Deposits		9 13	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	2,400 00	3,245 17	2,800 00
<b>From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:</b>			
(a) Poll Taxes—Regular at \$2	500 00	512 00	500 00
(b) National Bank Stock Taxes	20 00	54 00	25 00
<b>Total Revenues from All Sources</b>			
Except Property Taxes,	\$8,380 00	\$11,488 36	\$9,935 00
<b>Amount To be raised by Property Taxes</b>			\$42,555 00
<b>Total Revenues</b>			\$52,490 00

#### PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

	Appro. Prev. Yr. 1954	Act. Exp. Prev. Yr. 1954	Est. Exp. Ens'g Yr. 1955
<b>Current Maintenance Expenses:</b>			
<b>General Government:</b>			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,200 00	\$1,105 00	\$1,200 00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,800 00	1,936 62	2,000 00



## TOWN OF NEW CASTLE

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Election & Registration Expenses	250 00	275 75	125 00
Municipal Court Expenses	150 00	150 00	150 00
Expenses Town Hall and Other			
Town Buildings	2,200 00	1,879 19	1,500 00

**Protection of Persons and Property:**

Police Department	2,000 00	1,025 33	1,500 00
Fire Department	750 00	580 95	750 00
Insurance	75 00		800 00

**Health:**

Health Department, Including			
Hospitals	700 00	167 25	700 00
Vital Statistics	20 00	15 50	20 00
Town Dump & Garbage Removal	1,300 00	1,322 50	1,500 00

**Highways and Bridges:**

Town Maintenance—Summer	1,500 00	1,631 17	1,500 00
Town Maintenance—Winter	1,200 00	901.48	1,200 00
Street Lighting	950 00	856 24	950 00
Town Road Aid	26 00	25 44	25 00

**Libraries**

Libraries	1,500 00	1,750 00	1,000 00
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**Public Welfare:**

Special Pension	1,200 00	1,200 00	1,200 00
Town Poor	200 00		200 00
Old Age Assistance	1,350 00	1,066 84	1,350 00

**Patriotic Purposes:**

Memorial Day and Veterans'			
Associations	25 00	25 00	25 00

**Recreation:**

Parks and Playgrounds, Including			
Band Concerts	50 00		50 00

**Public Service Enterprises:**

Cemeteries	100 00	803 00	150 00
Water Survey	1,500 00	896 17	

**Unclassified:**

Damages and Legal Expenses,			
Including Dog Damage	10 00		10 00
Advertising and Regional			
Associations	35 00	35 00	35 00

**Interest:**

On Temporary Loans	50 00	31 59	50 00
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**Highways and Bridges:**

Hurricane Repairs	1,583 52
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**Payment on Principal of Debt:**

Temporary Loan	5,000 00
Refunds	30 78

**Payments to Other Governmental****Divisions:**

Head Tax	1,868 92
County Taxes	4,534 68    4,534 68    4,500 00
School Taxes	26,396 06    27,450 32    30,000 00

Total Expenditures	\$51,071 74    58,148 24    52,490 00
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## Summary Inventory of Valuation

Land and Buildings (299)	\$1,064,550 00
Electric Plants (1)	24,019 00
Boats and Launches (54)	30,950 00
Trailers (2)	2,700 00
Gasoline Pumps (1)	100 00
Stock in Trade (8)	4,350 00

Total Gross Valuation before exemptions	\$1,126,669 00
Exemptions to veterans	58,600 00

Net valuation on which tax rate is computed	\$1,068,069 00
Amount of property exemptions to veterans	\$58,600 00
Number of veterans receiving exemption	59
Number of inventories distributed	315
Number of inventories returned	223

**Taxes Committed to Collector:**

Property Taxes	\$40,052 59
Poll Taxes	606 00
Bank Stock Taxes	54 00

Total	\$40,712 59
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Tax Rate for 1954: \$3.75 per hundred.



## Schedule of Town Property

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Description	Value
Town Hall, land and buildings,	\$15,000 00
Equipment and furniture	1,500 00
Library, land and building	5,000 00
Equipment and furniture	1,500 00
Fire Station, land and building	2,000 00
Equipment	2,000 00
Water System	10,000 00
School, land and building	25,000 00
Equipment	500 00
Total	<hr/> \$62,500 00

# COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1954

	Appropriations	Expenditures	Unexpected Balances	Overdrafts
Town Officers Salaries	\$ 1,200 00	\$ 1,105 00	\$ 95 00	
Town Officers Expenses	1,800 00	1,936 62		136 62
Election and Registration	250 00	275 75		25 75
Municipal Court	150 00	150 00		
Town Hall	2,200 00	1,879 19	320 81	
Police Department	2,000 00	1,025 33	974 67	
Fire Department	750 00	580 95	169 05	
Insurance	75 00		75 00	
Health Department	700 00	167 25	532 75	
Vital Statistics	20 00	15 50	4 50	
Town Dump and Garbage Removal	1,300 00	1,322 50		22 50
Town Maintenance—Summer	1,500 00	1,631 17		131 17
Town Maintenance—Winter	1,200 00	901 48	298 52	
Street Lighting	950 00	856 24	93 76	
Town Road Aid	26 00	25 44	56	
Libraries	1,500 00	1,750 00		250 00
Special Pension	1,200 00	1,200 00		



Town Poor	200 00		200 00
Old Age Assistance	1,350 00	1,066 84	283 16
Memorial Day	25 00	25 00	
Parks and Playgrounds	50 00		50 00
Cemeteries	100 00	300 00*	97 00
Special Water Survey	1,500 00	896 17	603 83
Damages and Legal	10 00		10 00
Advertising and Regional Association	35 00	35 00	
Interest on Temporary Loans	50 00	31 59	18 41
Totals	\$20,141 00	\$16,880 02	\$3,827 02
Refunds		30 78	
State Head Tax Account		1,868 92	
Temporary Loan		5,000 00	
County Tax		4,534 68	
Payments to School District		27,450 32	
Paid for Hurricane Damage		1,583 52	
Paid in and Paid out—Trust Funds		800 00	
Total Payments		\$58,148 24	

\*NOTE: Three new Trust Funds totaling \$800.00 were paid in during the year and this amount was paid to Cemetery Trustees—not an expenditure from Town Funds.

# Financial Report

For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1954

## CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

ELMER S. PRIDHAM,  
KENNETH E. MAXAM,  
RALPH S. FROBISHER,  
Selectmen.

FRANK A. HULSHOF,  
Treasurer.

February 14, 1955

## ASSETS

Cash in hands of treasurer	\$11,951 67
Cash in hands of Tax Collector	1,685 82
Cash in hands of Town Clerk	38 66
Cash advanced to Library Trustees	
1955 Appropriation	250 00
Uncollected Taxes:	
Levy of 1954	852 25
Levy of 1953	846 00
State Head Taxes—Levy of 1954	250 00
Total Assets	\$15,874 40

## LIABILITIES

Bills outstanding	\$ 371 20
Water Survey	603 83
State Head Taxes—1954:	
Uncollected	250 00
Collected, not paid to state	82 50
Due to School Districts:	
Balance of Appropriation	11,396 06
Total Liabilities	\$12,703 59
Surplus	3,170 81
Total	\$15,874 40
Net Surplus, December 31, 1953	\$2,230 34
Net Surplus, December 31, 1954	\$3,170 81
Increase of Surplus	\$940 47



## Payments In Detail, 1954

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**Account No. 1—Town Officers Salaries**

Kenneth E. Maxam,	\$250 00
Elmer S. Pridham	200 00
Ralph S. Frobisher	200 00
Frank A. Hulshof	200 00
Dorothy S. Becker	200 00
Jannette I. White	50 00
Fred A. Amazeen	5 00
	<hr style="width: 10%; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"/> \$1,105 00

**Account No. 2—Town Officers Expenses**

Portsmouth Savings Bank	11 50
Chauncy B. Hoyt Co.	5 65
Dorothy S. Becker, fees	147 08
Asso. of N. H. Assessors	3 00
Dorothy S. Becker, typing	12 00
James Hodgkins	2 00
Samuel Robinson	2 00
Allan Maxam	2 00
Oliver W. Marvin, Town Warrant	10 00
Wheeler and Clark, Stationery	17 31
U. S. Auto Guide	7 00
Postage	34 40
Brown and Saltmarsh, supplies	30 93
Kenneth E. Maxam, travel	8 15
Chas. E. Trafton, insurance and bonds	165 50
Portsmouth Herald	4 80
N. H. Tax Collectors Association	3 00
Record Press, town reports	338 00
Henry's Market, supplies	1 39
Randall Press, tax bills	23 50
Wm. Priestly, tax collectors fees	979 77
New England Telephone Co.	84 84
Portsmouth Trust Co.	4 40
Town Clerk's Association	2 00
John W. Green, records	13 40
Waldron, Boynton and Waldron, legal adv.	23 00
	<hr style="width: 10%; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"/> \$1936 62

**Account No. 3—Election and Registration**

Frank A. Hulshof	13 50
Elizabeth Priestly	13 50
Pauline Harris	13 50

Carrie L. Robinson	13 50
Andrew B. White	38 50
Fred A. Amazeen	4 50
Virginia L. Coyle	28 50
John C. Sweetser	13 50
Jannette I. White	15 00
Record Press	27 50
Brown and Saltmarsh	85
Randall Press	40 00
William G. Amazeen	24 00
Henry's Market, supplies	29 40
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	\$275 75

**Account No. 4—Town Hall Expenses**

A. P. Tibbetts, fuel oil	420 28
Harlan Talbot, custodian	180 00
N. H. Electric Co., power and light	219 07
Douglas C. Pridham, labor	30 75
L. L. Peavey Co., floor wax	10 52
Henry's Market, supplies	2 63
Eastern Auto Co., hose	1 48
Warren M. White, labor, fire escape key box	21 00
Standard Plumbing Co., supplies	6 78
Harry A. Wood Co., clean septic tank	35 00
Rival Foods Co., supplies	6 75
F. A. Gray Co., painting	925 00
F. A. Hulshof, keys	98
Calahan Oil Co., gas	13 00
Paul La Rosa, labor	5 95
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	\$1,879 19

**Account No. 5—Municipal Court**

O. W. Marvin	75 00
Wm. F. Harrington	75 00
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	\$150 00

**Account No. 6—Police Department**

Henry Greenberg, salary	240 00
Henry Greenberg, truck expense	360 00
New England Telephone Co.	60 00
Warren White, special duty	40 00
M. Linsky Bros., uniforms	99 00
Strawberry Bank Press, printing	32 05
Virginia L. Coyle, typing	1 50
Harlan M. Talbot, special duty	16 00
Western Emergency Light Co., badges	15 20
Baker-Wright Co., siren work	18 50



Portsmouth Police Relief Association	100 00	
Arthur P. Tibbetts, police radio repair	3 15	
R. S. Frobisher, special duty	4 00	
Gerard Amazeen, special duty	2 00	
Gunnison Garage, genertor repair	15 35	
Henry Greenberg, bullets	8 58	
Henry Greenberg, special travel	10 00	
		<hr/> \$1,025 33

**Account No. 7—Fire Department**

A. P. Tibbetts, oil (heating) and gas	128 56	
A. P. Tibbetts, truck supplies	5 74	
Charles E. Trafton, Agency, insurance	126 00	
N. H. Electric Co.	3 52	
Robert Jones, labor and material	40 25	
Thomas Webb, salary	150 00	
Akron Brass Co., hose	6 80	
Barton Machine Shop, welding	1 50	
Blanchard Associates, tools	18 58	
Portsmouth Fireman's Relief Association	100 00	
		<hr/> \$580 95

**Account No. 8—Special Water Survey**

Horace L. Clark		\$896 17
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**Account No. 9—Health Department**

Haven W. Johnson, oiling swamps	140 65	
Arthur P. Tibbetts, oil	26 60	
		<hr/> \$167 25

**Account No. 10—Garbage and Dump use**

George A. Frisbee, collections	340 00	
Alfred J. Keefe, collecting	682 50	
City of Portsmouth, use of dump	300 00	
		<hr/> \$1,322 50

**Account No. 11—Town Road Aid**

State of N. H.		\$25 44
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**Account No. 12—Town Road Maintenance**

City of Portsmouth, catch basin	16 00	
Fencecraft Co., sign posts	11 05	
Granite State Asphalt Co., oil	26 40	
Iafolla Crushed Stone Co., patch	15 20	
John Hett, sand	12 50	
Trimount Bit. Prod. Co., oil	369 00	
Wayne D. Poole, signs	10 00	

Haven W. Johnson, truck and labor	1,171 02	
	<hr/>	\$1,631 17
<b>Account No. 13—Snow Removal</b>		
Haven W. Johnson, plowing	670 35	
Harvey Rogers, labor	52 00	
Chester Fessendon, labor	9 00	
Morris Pridham, labor	60 25	
Moulton and Goodwin, salt	65 50	
Robert Pickett, labor	29 38	
Paul Amazeen, labor	15 00	
	<hr/>	\$901 48
<b>Account No. 14—Street Lights</b>		
N. H. Electric Co.		\$856 24
<b>Account No. 15—Public Library</b>		
Jessie L. Scammon, trustee		\$1,750 00
<b>Account No. 16—Old Age Assistance</b>		
State, of N. H.		\$1,066 84
<b>Account No. 17—Town Poor</b>		00
<b>Account No. 18—Memorial Day</b>		
Central Veteran's Council		\$25 00
<b>Account No. 19—Recreation</b>		00
<b>Account No. 20—Cemeteries</b>		
Walter C. Hayden, trustee	800 00	
Haven W. Johnson, labor	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$803 00
<b>Account No. 21—Special Pension</b>		
Maude H. Trefethen		\$1,200 00
<b>Account No. 22—Advertising</b>		
Seacoast Regional Association		\$35 00
<b>Account No. 23—Indebtedness</b>		
First Nat. Bank, temp. loan	5,000 00	
First Nat. Bank, interest on loan	31 59	
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**Account No. 24—Vital Statistics**

Dorothy S. Becker, fees	\$15 50
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**Account No. 25—Refunds**

Frank A. Rhodes, refund	\$30 78
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**Account No. 26—Head Tax Account**

Wm. Priestly, collector, fees	58 27	
State of N. H.	1,752 00	
Kenneth E. Maxam, fees	58 65	
	<hr/>	\$1,868 92

**Account No. 27—School District Treasurer**

Douglas C. Pridham, 1953-54 Approp.	12,450 32	
Douglas C. Pridham, 1954-55 Approp.	15,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$27,450 32

**Account No. 28—County Treasurer**

Earl S. Stockbridge, treasurer	\$4,534 68
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**Account No. 29—Hurricane Damage**

The Maxam Co., bulldozer	59 02	
Haven W. Johnson, truck and labor	907 90	
P. J. Coakley, gravel	77 50	
Iafolla Crushed Stone Co., rock	412 60	
George S. Pitts, chain saw rental	25 50	
Warren White, special police	12 00	
Richard Cates, special police	25 00	
William Priestly, special police	2 00	
Harlan Talbot, special police	4 00	
Margaret R. Frobisher, typing	6 00	
Sam Blaisdell and Son, printing	52 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,583 52

Net Grand Total of Payments for all purposes	\$58,148 24
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Cash on hand December 31, 1954	\$11,951 67
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Total Accounted for	<hr/> \$70,099 91
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This is to certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JEANETTE I. WHITE,

January 14, 1955

Auditor.



## Town Clerk's Report

### RECEIPTS

Motor Vehicle Permits	\$3,283 83
Dog licenses	188 26
Filing fees	12 00
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	\$3,484 09
Less Clerk's fees for dog taxes	15 40
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	\$3,468 69

### PAYMENTS TO TREASURER

Motor Vehicle permit receipts	\$3,245 17
Dog licenses	172 86
Filing fees	12 00
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	\$3,430 03
Cash on hand, December 31, 1954	38 66
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	\$3,468 69

DOROTHY S. BECKER,  
Town Clerk.

This is to certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

JEANETTE I. WHITE,  
Auditor.

January 5, 1955

## Report of Collector of Taxes

### SUMMARY OF WARRANT

#### Levy of 1954

#### DEBITS

Taxes committed to Collector:	
Property taxes,	\$40,052 74
Poll taxes,	606 00
National bank stock taxes,	54 00
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Total warrant,	\$40,712 74
Added Taxes:	
Property taxes,	\$ 213 75

## TOWN OF NEW CASTLE

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Poll taxes,	4 00
Interest collected,	5 32
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Total debits,	\$40,935 81

## CREDITS

Remittances to Treasurer:	
Property taxes,	\$36,715 03
Poll taxes,	512 00
National bank stock taxes,	54 00
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Total amount paid to treasurer,	\$37,281 03
Discount allowed,	\$ 1,033 32
Abatements,	165 88
Uncollected taxes as per Collector's List:	
Property taxes,	836 25
Poll taxes,	16 00
Cash on hand December 31, 1954:	
Property tax of 1954,	1,560 01
Poll taxes of 1954,	38 00
Interest on tax of 1954,	5 32
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Total credits,	\$40,935 81
Cash on hand January 1, 1954:	
Property tax of 1953,	\$ 1,798 20
Poll tax of 1953,	54 00
Interest on tax of 1953,	8 44
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Paid to Town Treasurer, July 12, 1954,	\$ 1,860 64

## SUMMARY OF WARRANT

## Levy of 1953

## DEBITS

Uncollected taxes as of January 1, 1954:	
Property taxes,	\$ 925 20
Poll taxes,	14 00
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Total warrant,	\$ 939 20
Added Taxes:	
Interest collected during fiscal year ending December 31, 1954,	69
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Total debits,	\$ 939 89

## CREDITS

Remittances to Treasurer during fiscal year  
ending December 31, 1954:

Property tax,	\$ 46 80
Poll tax,	2 00
Interest collected during year,	69

Uncollected taxes as per Collector's List:

Property tax,	846 00
Poll tax,	00 00
Abatements,	44 40

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Total credits,	\$939 89
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## Delinquent Property Taxpayers of 1954

Roberto S. Marvin	\$750 00
Robert Moebus,	30 00
Morris Pridham,	56 25
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	\$836 25

## Delinquent Poll Taxpayers of 1954

Harvey Brackett,	\$ 2 00
Mrs. Harvey Brackett,	2 00
Mary Baltos,	2 00
Alberta Boger,	2 00
Pauline Goan,	2 00
Vinnie D. Lyons,	2 00
Mrs. Leahy,	2 00
June Poulin,	2 00
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	\$16 00

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I hereby certify that the above list showing the name and amount due from each delinquent taxpayer, as of December 31, 1954, on account of the levy of 1954, is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WILLIAM PRIESTLEY,  
Collector of Taxes.

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This is to certify that I have examined the foregoing account and find it correct.

February 1, 1955

JEANETTE I. WHITE,  
Auditor.



# SUMMARY OF WARRANT STATE HEAD TAX

## Levy of 1954

### DEBITS

#### State Head Taxes Committed to Collector:

Original Warrant,	\$1,955 00	
Added Taxes,	10 00	
Total Commitment,		\$1,965 00
Penalties Collected,		7 50
Total Debits,		\$1,972 50

### CREDITS

#### Remittances to Treasurer:

Head Taxes,	\$1,640 00	
Penalties,	00 00	
Total amount paid to treasurer,		\$1,640 00
Abatements,		00 00
Uncollected Head Taxes as per Collector's List,		250 00
Cash on hand December 31, 1954:		
1954 Head Taxes,		75 00
1954 Penalties,		7 50
Total Credits,		\$1,972 50
Cash on hand January 1, 1954:		
1953 Head Taxes,	\$90 00	
1953 Penalties,	9 00	
Paid to Town Treasurer, March 3, 1954,		\$99 00

# SUMMARY OF WARRANT STATE HEAD TAX

## Levy of 1953

### DEBIT

Uncollected Taxes as of January 1, 1954	\$270 00	
Added Taxes During 1954,	00 00	
Penalties Collected During 1954,	18 50	
Total Debits,		\$288 50

## CREDITS

Remittances to Treasurer During 1954:	
Head Taxes,	\$185 00
Penalties,	18 50
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	\$203 50
Abatements During 1954,	85 00
Uncollected Head Taxes as per Collector's List,	00 00
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Total Credits,	\$288 50

I hereby certify that the above report of Head Tax Warrants for the years of 1954 and 1953, is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WILLIAM PRIESTLEY,  
Collector of Taxes.

This is to certify that I have examined the foregoing account and find it correct.

February 1, 1955  
JEANETTE I. WHITE,  
Auditor.

## Town Treasurer's Report

### For The Year Ending December 31, 1954

## RECEIPTS

William Priestly, Collector:

1953 Property tax,	\$ 1,845 00
1954 Property tax,	36,715 03
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	\$38,560 03
1953 Poll tax,	56 00
1954 Poll tax,	512 00
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	568 00

Dorothy S. Becker, Town Clerk:

1954 Motor Fees,	\$ 3,245 17
1954 Dog Fees,	172 86
1954 Filing Fees,	12 00
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	\$ 3,430 03

Cemetery Trust Funds,	800 00
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Savings Bank Tax	340 52	
State Treasurer, Interest and Dividend Tax	6,896 18	
First National Bank Loan	5,000 00	
Head Tax	1,942 50	
Court Fines (Judges - Marvin, Damon and Harrington)	241 50	
National Bank Stock	54 00	
Interest	9 13	
Pistol Permits	2 00	
Miscellaneous	3 00	
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		\$15,288 83
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Total Receipts		\$57,846 89
Total Receipts for 1954	\$57,846 89	
Cash on hand December 31, 1953	12,253 02	
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		\$70,099 91
December 31, 1954		\$70,099 91
Selectmen's Vouchers Paid for 1954		58,148 24
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Balance December 31, 1954		\$11,951 67
	FRANK A. HULSHOF,	
	Treasurer.	

This is to certify that I have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

JEANETTE I. WHITE,

New Castle, N. H., January 5, 1955

Auditor.

## Report of Water Commissioners

For The Year Ending December 31, 1954

### RECEIPTS

Amount of bills rendered,		\$3,768 76
Water bills collected for 1954,	\$3,187 70	
Water bills unpaid for 1954,	237 52	
Water bills collected for previous years,	296 27	
Water bills unpaid for previous year,	47 27	
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Total,		\$3,768 76



Total water bills unpaid,	284 79
Total amount collected,	\$3,483 97
Water and service revenue,	\$3,483 97
Total amount received,	\$3,483 97
Balance on check book December 31, 1953,	4,132 13
Grand Total,	\$7,616 10

## PAYMENTS

Expense account,	\$2,917 63
Balance on check book December 31, 1954,	4,698 47
Grand Total,	\$7,616 10
On Deposit in Bank December 31, 1954	
Piscataqua Savings Bank, Portsmouth, N. H.,	\$ 763 46
Portsmouth Savings Bank, Portsmouth, N. H.	701 49
Grand Total,	\$1,464 95

## EXPENSE ACCOUNT

City of Portsmouth, N. H.	\$1,550 09
Commissioner's salaries for 1954,	105 00
Clerk's salary,	99 96
Turn on and shut off,	40 00
Bond and fire insurance,	5 00
Water supplies,	265 02
Plant maintenance, labor	59 50
Hersey Mfg. Co.,	266 53
Office and supplies,	85 86
New work on system,	126 60
Repairs on shut off's (homes and mains),	104 65
Repairing meters,	24 50
Assistance to Mr. Clark on water survey,	50 50
Repairs on water mains,	134 42
Total,	\$2,917 63

WILLIAM PRIESTLEY,  
Water Clerk.

HARLAN M. TALBOT,  
WARREN M. WHITE,  
WILLIAM PRIESTLEY,  
Water Commissioners.

# Treasurer's Report

January 1, 1954, to December 31, 1954

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## RECEIPTS

Water users, water and service,	3,483 97	
Total,		\$3,483 97
Balance on check book December 31, 1953,		4,132 13
Grand total,		\$7,616 10

## PAYMENTS

Commissioner's orders 1542 to 1593,		
Treasurer's checks 1303 to 1354 inclusive		\$2,917 63
Balance on check book December 31, 1954,		4,698 47
Grand total,		\$7,616 10

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To the Selectmen and Water Commissioners.

The above is a correct statement of my accounts for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1954.

WILLIAM PRIESTLEY,  
Treasurer.

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This is to certify that I have examined the above account and find it correct.

February 1, 1955

JEANETTE I. WHITE,  
Auditor.

## Water Department

HORACE L. CLARK  
Consulting Engineer  
Alfred, Maine

### RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT

We present herewith a summary of the report and recommendations of the engineer as regarding the water supply system.

ELMER S. PRIDHAM,  
KENNETH E. MAXAM,  
RALPH S. FROBISHER

February 2, 1955

Selectmen

### SUMMARY

Investigations of the water system serving New Castle show that the system was constructed thirty-eight years ago and that no major improvements have been made since. Water is purchased from Portsmouth and is furnished through an 8" line. This line enters the island near the Hotel Wentworth. Consequently the Hotel and Camp Langdon receive their supplies ahead of the Town. This results in unsatisfactory service at times.

There is also an 8" submarine line from Fort Dearborn across Little Harbor which is not in use at present.

Pressure tests made in August showed a continual variation in the pressure from thirty to eighty pounds per square inch due to the booster pump at the Hotel Wentworth. Similar tests taken in November show a range of pressures between fifty and sixty p. s. i.

A study of the situation shows the need of storage to level out the fluctuations in the supply. A suitable site for a tank-on-tower or standpipe is on a knoll (across from the school) on Canfield Street extended. The storage should meet the minimum Underwriters requirements for a town of this size and furnish a minimum of 1,000 gallons per minute for a period of four hours, or a total of 240,000 gallons.

The existing 4" pipe of Cranfield Street and Portsmouth Avenue is much too small for fire protection and the 6" pipe on Main Street, although better, is still too small for a flow of 1000 g. p. m.

My recommendations are as follows:

1. That the submarine line be put into service and a check valve be installed on the Wentworth Road main on the Portsmouth side of the connection.
2. That an elevated tank or standpipe be installed opposite the school.



3. That the 4" and 6" pipes on Cranfield and Main Streets be replaced with 10" pipe.
4. That the 4" pipe on Portsmouth Avenue be replaced with an 8" pipe.
5. That other replacements of pipes in the system be made over a period of years to obtain better fire protection.
6. That the Town investigate the possibility of taking over all water lines on the Island now owned by the City of Portsmouth and of operating it all as one system.

Estimates of Cost of these projects are as follows:

1. Check valve on Wentworth Road	\$250 00	
2. A 300,000 gallon. elevated tank furnishing a pressure of 50 p. s. i. with booster pumps, altitude valve, 500' connection to Cranfield Street, etc.	74,400 00	
or a 270,000 gallon standpipe furnishing a pressure of 37 p. s. i. with appurtenances as above	39,000 00	
3. 10" pipe Cranfield and Main Streets	26,700 00	
4. 8" pipe on Portsmouth Avenue	26,100 00	
Hydrants, valves, etc.	2,300 00	
Cost using Elevated Tank		Cost using Standpipe
Check valve	\$250 00	\$250 00
Tank etc.	74,400 00	39,400 00
10" pipe	26,700 00	26,700 00
8" pipe	26,100 00	26,100 00
Hydrants, valves	2,300 00	2,300 00
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	\$129,750 00	\$94,750 00
Contingencies and		
Engineerings at 20%	25,950 00	18,950 00
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	\$155,700 00	\$113,700 00
say -	\$155,000 00	\$115,000 00

HORACE L. CLARK,  
Consulting Engineer.

## Report of Trustees of Public Library

### RECEIPTS

Balance in Elizabeth T. C. Rand Book Fund,	3 50
Cash on hand December 31, 1953,	326 60
Town appropriation for 1954	
April 30th	250 00
June 17th	250 00
August 31st	500 00
November 8th	250 00
December 6th	500 00
King's Daughters	50 00
P.T.A. and fines	41 00
Insurance for storm damage	300 00
Interest from Elizabeth T.C. Rand Trust Fund	125 77

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\$2,596 87

### EXPENDITURES

Librarian's salary	450 00
Janitor's salary	120 00
Heating	234 75
Lighting	64 56
Wendell's, Floor Brush	4 75
Andersen's Market, Glass Wax	1 18
W. S. Jackson Co., Brush	1 35
Printing	2 20
C. I. Scammon, light repairs	2 00
Maxam Co., repairing underpinning	273 76
Maxam Co. Roofing	391 00
B. J. Harris	
Patching roof	30 00
Painting building	375 00
Book Cases	15 00
The College Bindery	27 13
Books	203 47
Magazines	16 30

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\$2,212 45

Cash on hand December 31, 1954	380 92
Balance in Elizabeth T.C. Rand Book Fund	3 50

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\$2,596 87

JESSIE SCAMMON, Treasurer  
MARGARET R. FROBISHER  
HELEN H. ST. JOHN

Trustees.

This is to certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts  
and find them correct.

February 1, 1955

JEANETTE I. WHITE,  
Auditor.

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## School District Officers, 1954

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### DISTRICT CLERK

Mary Alma Webb

### SCHOOL BOARD

Patricia M. Hitchcock, 1 year      Eugene W. Morrill, 2 years  
Warren M. White, 3 years

### DISTRICT TREASURER

Douglas Cavanaugh Pridham

### MODERATOR

George S. Pitts

### AUDITOR

Robert Andrews

### TRUANT OFFICER

Elmer S. Pridham

### INSTRUCTION STAFF

Roy W. Gillmore	Superintendent
Sherman A. Lovering	Helping Teacher
Florence Thompson	Principal
Pearl Woodeson	Grades 1, 2
Marie Hodgkins	Grades 3, 4
Doris Parker	Art and Music
Carol Kennedy	School Nurse

## School Warrant

To the inhabitants of the School District of New Castle, New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in the said District of New Castle on Monday, the seventh day of March, 1955, at 7:30 P. M. to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a member of the school board for the ensuing three years.

4. To choose a treasurer for the ensuing year.

5. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers chosen, and to pass any vote relating thereto.

6. To choose agents, auditors and committees in relation to any subject embraced in the warrant.

7. To see if the District will vote to authorize and empower the school board to make application for and receive in the name of the District, grants in aid or other funds for educational purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States of America or the State of New Hampshire.

8. To determine and appoint the salaries of members of the school board.

9. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from sources other than local taxation; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the Town.

10. To transact any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this fourteenth day of February in the year of our Lord, one thousand, nine hundred and fifty-five.

EUGENE W. MORRILL,,  
WARREN M. WHITE,  
PATRICIA M. HITCHCOCK,  
School Board.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

EUGENE W. MORRILL,  
WARREN M. WHITE,  
PATRICIA M. HITCHCOCK,  
School Board.



## Report of the School Board

To the Citizens of New Castle:

There are three questions one might well ask in appraising the schools of his community:

1. How well are they doing their job?
2. Are those who are responsible for their operation seeking constantly for improvement?
3. What is the cost?

There are at least two obvious methods to determine how well the school is performing. We can ask those who know, and we can observe how our children measure up to the standards of other schools.

As one who is in a position to know, we naturally turn to our superintendent, Mr. Gillmore. He assures us that the quality of education here is good. In support of his opinion is the record of New Castle pupils attending Portsmouth schools. We are proud to state that our boys and girls are above average in the Junior and Senior High Schools. It is also interesting to note that of the 16 New Castle students graduated from Portsmouth High School in the last 5 years, 8 have gone on to colleges, universities and service academies, 7 have joined the armed services, and one has become a housewife.

In his report to the trustees of Phillips Exeter Academy, Dr. William G. Saltonstall, its principal, cites the danger of complacency. One of the most important responsibilities of his administration, he says, is to encourage dissatisfaction with past performance and eagerness to seek out better ways of doing old jobs. There is always room for improvement. The School Board and the Superintendent are constantly seeking to improve our educational system. We gave unqualified support to the hiring of Mr. Sherman Lovering as helping teacher. The adoption of a salary schedule and code of personnel practices is another step forward. In order to qualify for salary increments each teacher must acquire six semester hours in a course approved by the Superintendent within a three year period. We mention these as outstanding evidences of a program for improvement.

Of concern to all of us is school finances; how to provide a sound program of education at the lowest cost. The most careful budget trimming does not alter the fact that the education of our children represents the major expense of local government. In this year's budget are three significant increases, namely teachers' salaries, tuition and insurance.

During the past two years this board has been gravely concerned with the teacher salary problem. The following will serve as an illustration:

AVERAGE TEACHERS' SALARIES, 1953-54

New York	\$4,650 00
New Jersey	4,170 00
Connecticut	4,000 00
Massachusetts	4,000 00
Rhode Island	3,825 00
U. S. Average	3,605 00
New Hampshire	3,225 00
Vermont	2,900 00
Maine	2,645 00
New Castle	2,500 00

From this one will readily see the need for raising the local salary level.

Tuition is a cost over which New Castle has no control. Census figures together with plans for a new High School in Portsmouth indicate increased expenses in this item during future years.

Three years ago the District voted to buy its insurance for a three year period and to pay for it in one lump sum. This year the policy expires. We propose to raise the amount of coverage to \$47,000 and to budget the premiums on a five year basis. The mechanics of the proposed arrangement will be explained at the annual meeting.

In closing, we wish to express our appreciation to the people of New Castle for their continued interest and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE W. MORRILL,  
WARREN M. WHITE,  
PATRICIA M. HITCHCOCK,  
School Board.

# Financial Report

of the

NEW CASTLE SCHOOL DISTRICT

for the

Fiscal year beginning July 1, 1953, and ending June 30, 1954

## CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Section 24 of Chapter 82 of the Revised Laws of New Hampshire 1942, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

WARREN M. WHITE,  
PATRICIA M. HITCHCOCK,  
EUGENE W. MORRILL,

School Board.

ROY W. GILLMORE,  
Superintendent.

## RECEIPTS

Federal Aid:	
Other,	\$ 4,615 28
Local Taxation:	
Current Appropriation,	27,450 32
Other Sources,	16 25
Total Receipts,	\$32,081 85
Cash on hand July 1, 1953,	2,443 58
Grand Total Receipts,	\$34,525 43

## PAYMENTS

Administration:	
1. Salaries of District Officers	\$ 344 96
2. Superintendent's Salary (Local Share),	180 18
3. Tax for state wide supervision,	176 00
4. Salaries of Other administrative personnel,	10 00
5. Supplies and expenses,	165 33
Instruction:	
6. Teachers' salaries,	8,181 06

7. Books and other instructional aids,	242 57
8. Scholars' supplies	209 96
10. Supplies and other expenses,	203 75
Operation of School Plant:	
11. Salaries of janitors,	600 00
12. Fuel or heat,	427 46
13. Water, light, supplies and expenses	389 94
Maintenance of School Plant:	
14. Repairs and Replacements	22 35
Auxiliary Activities:	
15. Health supervision,	211 92
16. Transportation,	1,673 00
17. Tuition	8,174 20
18. Special activities and special funds,	35
Fixed Charges:	
19. Retirement	321 01
20. Insurance, Treas., bonds and expenses,	11 50
Total Net Current Expenses	<hr/> \$21,545 54
Capital Outlay:	
22. Additions and improvements to buildings,	1,870 41
23. New Equipment,	1,037 73
Debt and Interest:	
25. Principal of Debt,	3,000 00
26. Interest on debt,	826 50
Total Net Payments for all purposes	<hr/> \$28,280 18
Cash on hand at end of year June 30, 1954, general fund,	6,251 81
Grand Total Net Payments	<hr/> \$34,531 99

## Balance Sheet, June 30, 1954

### ASSETS

Cash on hand June 30, 1954,	\$6,251 81
From state highway comm.,	36 00
George Pitts	76 35
Kenneth Maxam	100 00
Total Assets,	<hr/> \$6,464 16
Grand Total,	\$6,464 16



## LIABILITIES

Transportation,	\$ 130 30
U. S. Internal Revenue	371 46
Play ground equipment,	250 00
Grade school ground,	36 00
Chalk board and book shelves,	300 00

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Total Liabilities	\$1,087 76
Surplus (excess of assets over liabilities),	5,376 40

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Grand Total	\$6,464 16
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## STATUS OF SCHOOL NOTES AND BONDS

Outstanding at beginning of year,	\$45,000 00
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Total	\$45,000 00
Payments of principal of debt	3,000 00

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Notes and bonds outstanding at end of year,	\$42,000 00
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## Report on Tuition Payments

## Tuition Payments:

High school,	\$5,259 20
Elementary,	2,915 00
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	\$8,174 20

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## Annual Capital Outlay Summary

## PAYMENTS

General contract,	\$1,520 63
Site development,	334 78
Other payments,	15 00

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Total,	\$1,870 41
Furniture and equipment	1,037 73

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Total net payments during year,	\$2,908 14
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Grand Total Net Payments,	\$2,908 14
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## RECEIPTS

General Funds	\$2,908 14
Total Net Receipts During Year,	\$2,908 14
Grand Total Net Receipts	\$2,908 14

## Report of the District Treasurer

for the

Fiscal Year July 1, 1953 to June 30, 1954

## SUMMARY

Cash on Hand July 1, 1953 (Treasurer's bank balance)	\$2,443 58
Received from Selectmen:	
Current Appropriation	\$27,450 32
Federal Funds	4,615 28
Received from all other sources	22 81
Total Receipts	\$32,088 41
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year (Balance and Receipts)	\$34,531 99
*Less School Board Orders Paid	\$28,280 85
Balance on hand June 30, 1954 (Treasurer's Bank Balance)	\$6,251 14
*Tot. represents 67c in excess due to ovpmnt on Ck No. 770 Vendor No. 5 dated 4/29. Adjustment bill attached Vendor No. 7--5/26.	
July 13, 1954	DOUGLAS C. PRIDHAM, District Treasurer.

## AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of New Castle, N. H. of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954 and find them correct in all respects.

July 13, 1954

ROBERT F. ANDREWS,  
Auditor.

## School Budget, 1955-1956

	Actual Exp. 1953-54	Adopted Budget 1954-55	Estimated Budget 1955-56
Administration:			
Salaries of District Officers,	\$344 96	\$450 00	\$450 00
Supt. salary (local share)*	180 18	185 68	201 30
Tax for state wide Supervision	176 00	194 00	226 00
Salary of other Administrative Personnel	10 00	282 17	413 45
Supplies and Expenses	165 33	156 95	200 00
Instruction:			
Teachers' & Principal's salaries	8,181 06	9,020 00	11,330 50
Books & other Instructional aids	242 57	275 00	300 00
Scholars' Supplies	209 96	250 00	375 00
Supplies and other expenses	203 75	210 00	440 00
Operation of School Plant:			
Salary of Custodian	600 00	700 00	700 00
Fuel or Heat	427 46	400 00	450 00
Water, Light Supplies & Expenses	383 38	250 00	300 00
Maintenance of School Plant:			
Repairs and Replacements	22 35	300 00	200 00
Auxiliary Activities:			
Health Supervision	211 92	300 00	300 00
Transportation	1,673 00	1,400 00	1,836 00
Tuition	8,174 20	12,960 00	14,300 00
Special activities & special funds	35	100 00	200 00
Fixed Charges:			
Retirement	321 01	233 07	316 07
Insurance, Treasurer's Bond and Expenses	11 50	11 50	913 91
Capital Outlay:			
Additions and Improvements	1,870 41		200 00
New Equipment	1,037 73	200 00	300 00
Debt and Interest:			
Principal of Debt	3,000 00	3,000 00	3,000 00
Interest on Debt	826 50	769 50	712 50
Totals	\$28,273 62	\$32,647 87	\$37,664 73

\* This is New Castle's Share. Superintendent's salary is \$6,900 00 of which the State pays \$2,500.00 and the school districts comprising Union No. 21 the balance.

## Report of the Superintendent of Schools

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To the New Castle School Board:

I herewith submit to you my twenty-fifth report as Superintendent of your schools. The statistical report of the past completed school year will be included and also the pupil enrollment in our local schools for the current year. The listing of our pupils attending Portsmouth schools is a copy of that given us by that city as of September 1954.

The current year began on Wednesday, September 8 with an initial enrollment of 68. This compares with a like figure of 64 in September 1953 and 54 for the year previous. The constantly increasing enrollment has justified the employing of a third teacher. With our present staff there need be no fear in regard to the adequacy of instruction received.

Union No. 21 conducted a work shop for its teachers February 16, 17 and 18. During these three days all teachers studied under expert instructors obtained from colleges, universities and publishing houses. The teaching of reading in the schools was the main problem considered. Since we believe reading to be basic for all learning, we obtained the best authorities possible to bring to our teachers the proven foundations of good practice in this phase of the school's program. The unanimity with which School Boards and teachers approved the workshop vouchsafes its success.

As a further surety that our schools will proceed along proven paths, Union No. 21 has secured the services of a Helping Teacher. He is employed jointly by the State Board of Education and the seven towns of the Union. He is a full-time employee of the Union serving throughout the calendar year. His work has proven of great value to the teachers of the Union. The teachers feel free to bring their problems to him and talk over any situation which may be a handicap to efficient teaching. Mr. Sherman Lovering, a graduate of Keene Teachers College and holding a Master of Education Degree from Boston University, was the unanimous choice of the Supervisory Union Board. A former principal of an elementary school in Manchester, New Hampshire, he is familiar with the problems of the elementary grades.

New Castle is entitled to federal funds because of the large number of our children whose parents work on federal property. In the main, this applies to those working at the Newington Bomber Base and the Portsmouth Naval Base. On the basis of costs for the



past complete school year, the local district received \$5,129.52 from the federal government. Application has been made for such aid during the present school year and acknowledgment of the application has been received from Washington. It is probable that a substantial part of our entitlement will be in the treasurer's hands before the end of the present school year.

It is interesting to note that the total federal funds received in Union No. 21 amounted to \$40,147.09

That the people of New Castle may know how their school dollar is spent, the following data has been established. Figures are taken from statistics of the year 1953-1954, the last completed school year.

#### HOW THE NEW CASTLE SCHOOL DOLLAR IS SPENT

The division of the school dollar is reported below. This is based upon the Financial Report for the year ending June 30, 1954.

Salaries of District Officers	\$ .012
Superintendents' Salary (Local share)	.006
Tax for State Wide Supervision	.006
Salaries of Other Administrative Personnel	.001
Supplies and Expenses of Administration	.006
Teachers' and Principal's Salaries	.289
Books and Other Instructional Aids	.009
Scholars' Supplies	.007
Supplies and Other Expenses of Instruction	.007
Salaries of Custodians	.021
Fuel or Heat	.015
Water, Light, Supplies and Expenses	.014
Repairs and Replacements	.001
Health Supervision	.008
Transportation	.059
Tuition	.289
Retirement	.011
Insurance, Treas., Bonds and Expenses	.001
Additions and Improvements to Buildings	.066
New Equipment	.037
Principal of Debt	.106
Interest on Debt	.029
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	\$1.000

Modern education is not static. Its leaders are constantly studying the processes by which children learn. This is being done, not by theories and generalities but by active attention to the individual child under varying conditions. The methods by

which a child develops naturally are those methods most effective in the work of the school. By varying methods of approach, by constantly testing and retesting, new understanding of the child mind is acquired. As a result of this effort, more efficient approaches to the school curriculum are found. To acquaint our teachers with these new discoveries, workshops are organized. Our teachers are also taking advance courses in Education for the same purpose. Such participation is expected in schools desirous of the best for its pupils.

I am recommending to you, as a board, the adoption of the Rinehart Handwriting System. By this system, expert penmen will instruct our pupils in the most approved methods of writing. They will come to our school once each month, give instruction in each room to all pupils in that room, analyze each paper and give suggestions for improvement. Each teacher will be carefully directed as to the work of the class for the days following. This system is being adopted by an increasing number of schools each year. It produces intense interest on the part of the pupils in all written work.

The Supervisory Union was pleased to welcome Miss Olga Sarmiento, a visiting teacher from Mexico. She is one of a group of experienced teachers from other countries studying American education on the elementary level. She visited every district in the Union, attended teachers' meetings and several board meetings. Both teachers and children enjoyed her visits during the five weeks she was with us.

I cannot close this report without a word of appreciation for the New Castle P. T. A. It has ever been helpful to the school program, interested in the welfare of its pupils and generous with its support. An active, helpful and cooperative P. T. A. is an essential of a good school system. New Castle has such a group.

You, as a board have always been helpful to me in my work. The teachers, without exception, have been faithful to their pupils welfare. As these conditions are true, our school must be a success.

Respectfully submitted,

ROY W. GILLMORE,  
Superintendent of Schools

January 31, 1955

## School Statistics, 1953-1954

School	Teacher	Grade	Average Membership	% of Attend.
Intermediate	Florence Thompson	5-6	21.6	95.5
Primary	Marie Hodgkins	3-4	18.2	93.8
Primary	Pearl Woodeson	1-2	25.0	94.0
Music	Doris Parker	1-6		
Art	Doris Parker	1-6		
Nurse	Carol Kennedy	1-6		
Totals or Averages			64.8	94.4

### PROMOTIONS, JUNE 1954

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Promoted	14	13	10	7	7	15	66
Not Promoted	1	0	1	0	1	0	3
Average Age	6-1	6-11	8-2	9-9	10-10	11-5	3

### ENROLLMENT, FALL TERM, 1954

Grade		1	2	3	4	5	6	Totals
Intermediate	Florence Thompson					8	7	15
Primary	Marie Hodgkins			12	10			22
Primary	Pearl Woodeson	16	15					31
								68

### SCHOOL CENSUS 1954

Number of children in district 1-5 years of age	77
Number of children between 5-18 in public schools	109
Number of children in parochial or private schools	24
Number of children 5-18 not attending school	2

### SUMMARY, 1953 - 1954

Value of Site and Buildings	\$60,000 00
Value of Equipment	7,000 00
Average Salary of Teachers	2,675 00
Total Number of School Days	180

## NEW CASTLE TUITION PUPILS 1954 - 1955

GRADE XII: Martha Barber, Charles Clark, Chester Fessenden, Cornelia Hodgkins, William Marvin, Douglas Pridham, Bruce Richardson, Carol Tripp.

GRADE XI: Betsy Barber, Judith Cabana, Jane Campbell, Susan Sweetser.

GRADE X: Paul Amazeen, John Cabana, John King, Eleanor Marvin, Ann Miller, Robert O'Connell, Richard Thorp.

GRADE IX: Nancy Amazeen, Janet Champagne, Suzanne Harris, Niel Jones, Joanne Skidmore, Andrew White.

GRADE VIII: James Hodgkins, Brooks Kennedy, Frank King, Deborah Marvin, Shirley Owsley, Judith Tabbutt, George Webb.

GRADE VII: Tania Amazeen, Linda Barber, Peter Barber, Robert Calkins, Barbara Gard, Peter Goan, Percilla Harris, Albert Hutchinson, Foster Jones, Michael LaRose, Allan Maxam, Hugh O'Connell, Robert Pierce, Samuel Robinson, Stewart Whitehouse.



## Report of the New Castle School Nurse

March 1954 to February 1955

The annual registration and pre-school health checkups were held in June 1954. Thirteen prospective first-graders were examined by Dr. David Straus, school physician, assisted by the school nurse.

In the annual school examinations during November, 57 children received complete checkups from Dr. Straus and the school nurse.

The following defects were noted and reported to parents:

Nutrition, 2; orthopedic, 4; teeth (temporary) 10 and teeth (permanent) 4; tonsils, 2; glands, 3; heart, 3, and speech, 1.

Periodic visits are made to the school and the nurse discusses health problems with the teachers or talks with the children on subjects pertaining to health, safety or sanitation.

The nurse may be called by telephone at any time by teachers or parents. She examines children who have been absent from school three days or more. In case absence has been due to a communicable disease, a doctor's certificate must be obtained before the child may return to school.

In January 1955 the school nurse attended an all-day regional conference on school health.

It is the aim of the school nurse to cooperate with the superintendent, the School Board, school personnel, parents and community groups in all activities pertaining to the health and well-being of the children of New Castle.

CAROL BROOKS KENNEDY, R. N.,  
School Nurse.

# Municipal Court of New Castle

(Report from Jan. 1, 1954 to June 11, 1954)

## Schedule A—RECEIPTS

Balance on hand, December 31, 1953	\$ 10 00
Session of February 20, 1954	20 00
Session of May 29, 1954	55 00
Session of June 5, 1954	35 00
Session of June 11, 1954	10 00
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	\$130 00

## Schedule B—DISBURSEMENTS

February 20, 1954 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles	\$ 13 50
May 29, 1954 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles	13 50
May 29, 1954 Director of Fish and Game	22 50
June 5, 1954 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles	13 50
June 11, 1954 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles	4 50
June 23, 1954 Town of New Castle, N. H.	62 50
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	\$130 00

N. B. Mr. Marvin resigned as Justice of the Municipal Court of New Castle on June 11, 1954.

The foregoing schedules constitute a full, complete and accurate account of the financial transactions of the Municipal Court of New Castle for the period covered by the dates indicated therein.

OLIVER W. MARVIN,  
Justice.

## CERTIFICATE OF AUDIT

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts and have found the same to be correctly cast and properly vouched.

JEANETTE I. WHITE

January 14, 1955

Auditor.

## MUNICIPAL COURT OF NEW CASTLE

(Report from June 11, 1954 through Dec. 31, 1954)

## Schedule A—RECEIPTS

Balance on hand	None
Session of June 19, 1954	\$ 15 00
Session of June 26, 1954	10 00
Session of July 3, 1954	5 00

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Session of July 14, 1954	20 00
Session of July 17, 1954	35 00
Session of July 24, 1954	30 00
Session of July 31, 1954	45 00
Session of August 3, 1954	15 00
Session of August 13, 1954	20 00
Session of August 16, 1954	50 00
Session of August 17, 1954	55 00
Session of August 24, 1954	70 00
Session of September 3, 1954	25 00
Session of September 7, 1954	30 00
Session of September 9, 1954 (Bail)	500 00
Session of October 5, 1954	50 00
Session of November 5, 1954	15 00
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	\$990 00

## Schedule B—DISBURSEMENTS

June 19, 1954 Town of New Castle, N. H.	\$ 15 00
June 26, 1954 Town of New Castle, N. H.	5 50
June 26, 1954 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles	4 50
July 6, 1954 Town of New Castle, N. H.	5 00
July 20, 1954 Town of New Castle, N. H.	23 50
July 20, 1954 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles	31 50
July 30, 1954 Town of New Castle, N. H.	12 00
July 30, 1954 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles	13 50
August 2, 1954 Town of New Castle, N. H.	18 00
August 2, 1954 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles	27 00
August 13, 1954 Town of New Castle, N. H.	4 50
August 18, 1954 Town of New Castle, N. H.	12 50
August 18, 1954 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles	22 50
August 26, 1954 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles	121 50
August 27, 1954 Town of New Castle, N. H.	43 50
August 27, 1954 Special Officer Eli W. Perry for two witness fees at court sessions of Aug. 17, 1954 and Aug. 24, 1954	5 00
August 27, 1954 Special Officer Norman L. Jenness for two witness fees at court sessions of Aug. 17, 1954 and Aug. 24, 1954	5 00
September 13, 1954 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles	18 00
September 17, 1954 Town of New Castle, N. H.	12 00
October 1, 1954 Clerk of Superior Court for the County of Rockingham, State of New Hampshire (Bail Money)	500 00
October 21, 1954 Town of New Castle, N. H.	7 00
October 21, 1954 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles	18 00

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November 6, 1954 Town of New Castle, N. H.	15 50
November 6, 1954 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles	49 50
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	\$990 00
Balance on hand - December 31, 1954	None

Not listed above is an overpayment of November 8, 1954 for \$5.00 - to the Town of New Castle, N. H.

Hon. Oliver W. Marvin resigned as Justice of the Municipal Court of New Castle on June 11, 1954. The foregoing schedules and report constitute a full, complete and accurate account of The Municipal Court of New Castle covering all financial records of his successors from June 11, 1954 through December 31, 1954. William F. Harrington Jr. Presiding Justice  
Newcomb L. Damon, Associate Justice

WILLIAM F. HARRINGTON, JR., P. J.

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts and have found the same to be correctly cast and properly vouched.

JEANETTE I. WHITE,

January 29, 1955

Auditor.

**Births Registered in the Town of New Castle, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1954**

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child (if any)	Sex	L/v. or Stillborn	No. of Child	Color	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
1954						All White						
Feb. 19	Kittery, Me.	Mary A. McTigue	F	L	1		John W. McTigue	Georgene A. Davis	New Castle	U. S. N.	W. Virginia	Florida
Apr. 1	Portsmouth	Victor T. Poulin	M	L	3		Joseph R. Poulin	June T. Amazeen	New Castle	Unemployed	Canada	Maine
Apr. 18	Exeter	Polly MacDonald	F	L	3		D. S. MacDonald	Margaret S. Snyder	New Castle	Draftsman, N.Yd.	Florida	N. H.
July 12	Portsmouth	Yvonne D. Skipper	F	L	1		Robert E. Skipper	Mary L. Cabana	New Castle	U.S.C.G.	N. Carolina	R. I.
Aug. 4	Portsmouth	Ann H. Wiseman	F	L	1		Alfred K. Skipper	Mary E. Horning	New Castle	Painter, N.Yd.	Maine	N. H.
Aug. 16	Portsmouth	John W. Wiseman	M	L	4		Edgar H. Wiseman	Shirley Glendenning	New Castle	Clerk	N. H.	Canada
Sep. 27	Portsmouth	Vincent S. Osgood	M	L	2		Roland L. Osgood	Elmior D. Sawyer	New Castle	Welfare Worker	N. H.	N. H.
Sep. 29	Portsmouth	Peggy B. Patten	F	L	3		George A. Patten	Mildred E. Cook	New Castle	Dentist	N. H.	R. I.
Dec. 2	Portsmouth	Kirt Aspen	M	L	4		Erik S. Aspen	Bessie McKenzie	New Castle	Carpenter	N. Y.	Georgia

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

**DOROTHY S. BECKER, Town Clerk.**



**Marriages Registered in the Town of New Castle, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1954**

Date of Mar.	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of Each at Time of Marriage	Age	Color	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	No. of Mar.	By Whom Married
1954											
Jan. 30	Portsmouth	Bevuell J. Harris	New Castle	35		Engineer	N. H.	Joseph T. Harris Katherine Nugent	Mo. Nfld.	4	J. N. Feaster Clergyman Portsmouth
		Pauline D. Harris	New Castle	38		Housewife	N. H.	Otto Stenzel	Germany	3	
Feb. 23	Greenland	Charles A. Mori	New Castle	22		Laborer	N. H.	Sadie Mori Albert Mori	Italy N. H.	1	J. N. Feaster Clergyman Portsmouth
		Ellen J. Page	Greenland	20		Clerk	N. H.	Illida G. Ricker Helen Bartosh	Mass. N. H.	1	
May 1	Portsmouth	Ralph Barnard	New Castle	59		Optometrist	N. H.	James Barnard Ida M. Sargent	Mass. Mass.	4	William W. Lewis Clergyman Portsmouth
		Vesta B. Barber	New Castle	37	All White	Housewife	Mass.	Herbert Farrow Zella B. Davis	Mass. Vt.	2	
Oct. 2	Portsmouth	John S. Hoes	New York	37		Physician	N. Y.	Ernest P. Hoes Louise Nesbit	N. Y. Mo.	2	Paul A. Stauffer Clergyman Portsmouth
		Mercie Walford	New Castle	35		Artist	Mass.	H. S. McKee Mercede Tarbell	Penn. Mass.	2	

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

**DOROTHY S. BECKER, Town Clerk.**

Deaths Registered in the Town of New Castle, New Hampshire for the year ending December 31, 1954.

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name & Surname of Deceased	Age in Years	Place of Birth	Sex			Occupation	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
					Color	Mar.	Wid.			
1954										
Feb. 7	Portsmouth	Annie V. Neal	90	N. H.	F				William Neal	Sarah Vennard
Feb. 21	Stratham	Gary Fletcher Noyes	2	N. H.	M				David C. Noyes	Elizabeth Fletcher
Apr. 2	Concord	Elizabeth Cammett	49	N. H.	F				John H. Lo	Lena Caswell
Apr. 2	New Castle	Marion C. Cuthbert	54	Virginia	F			Housewife	George E. Banks	Anna Creswell
Apr. 5	Salem, Mass.	Scott C. Booma	70	N. H.	M			M/Housewife	Frank E. Booma	Martha Fields
Apr. 28	Portsmouth	Elizabeth J. Emery	85	N. H.	F			W/Housewife	William H. Horn	Mary A. Randall
May 2	New Castle	George H. Warren	83	Mass.	M			W/Lawyer	Lafayette Warren	Mary Barnard
Aug. 21	Portsmouth	Harriette S. Sweetser	72	N. H.	F			S/Police Chief	Granville Amazeen	Hattie Baker
Sept. 26	Portsmouth	Mary A. Bickford	43	N. H.	F			M/At home	Harold Stewart	Const. Broadhead
Oct. 6	Portsmouth	Ida M. Prohaska	70	Newfoundland	F			W/Prac. Nurse	John Murray	Gertrude
Oct. 7	Boston	Edmund A. Tarbell	56	N. H.	M			M/Retired	Edmund Tarbell	Patience Earl
Nov. 10	Portsmouth	Bessie S. Campbell	71	N. H.	F			W/Housewife	Jacob Hubley	Emeline Souther
Dec. 3	Portsmouth	Kirt Aspen		N. H.	M				Erik S. Aspen	Sarah Martin
										Bessie McKenzie

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DOROTHY S. BECKER, Town Clerk.











